*UNITED STATES AIR FORCE * HEARTLAND of AMERICA BAND

Partner Checklist

Vortex

Vortex's arrival time will be coordinated between you and the Tour Manager well in advance of our performance. On the performance day, the sponsor or a designated point of contact must be available to meet the band upon their arrival to provide access to the venue and any other areas we need access to (dressing rooms, bathrooms, etc.). The following list includes our standard requirements needed to ensure the highest quality performance.

Stage: Our preferred performance area is 33 feet wide and 26 feet deep. If you have concerns about the size of your performance area, our Tour Manager will discuss options with you on how we can fit into your particular venue. In addition to the performance stage, a case storage area near the stage should be provided for us. Stairs create a safety hazard and hinder set-up. Please inform the Tour Manager if there are stairs between the loading area and the stage-this may require us to look into an alternate performance location.

Construction: The stage area used must be level with a firm foundation. For outdoor sites: the performance area must be dry. NOTE: The band cannot perform in inclement weather (including high winds). We recommend that arrangements are made for an alternate indoor site.

Cleanliness: The performance stage and dressing areas should be clean and uncluttered before arrival of the band. If the band is performing on stage with other entertainers (i.e. festivals, picnics, park concerts, etc), please ensure the area is cleared of all other equipment and events prior to the band's designated set up time.

Set-up: Vortex can complete set up and sound check within 90 minutes. In addition to that time, we require 30 minutes to change into our performance uniforms. Depending on the scheduled time of our performance, it may be necessary to schedule an arrival and set-up time much earlier than 2 hours before the show so that we can leave to eat a meal and return in time to change for the performance.

Lighting: No special lighting needs are required. We request the use of general stage lighting (full wash). Please designate someone who can turn on the lights for the band's performance.

Audio/Electrical: The band will provide all audio equipment. Please allow for space in the audience and immediately surrounding the stage for our sound board and speakers. Vortex needs 4 separate 120V/20Amp circuits to power the audio system. Power should be located very near or on the stage.

Dressing Rooms: Vortex needs two securable dressing rooms, one for males and one for females.

Parking: Please provide parking for band vehicles at the performance site. The band uses one 5-ton truck and two 15-passenger vans. If possible, we would prefer to leave the equipment truck in place after unloading.

